

TABLE 1

Courts of Appeal Caseload Activity, FY 1998–99

	CASELOAD ACTIVITY					TYPE OF TERMINATION				
	Pending at Start*	Filed	Total Caseload	Terminated	Pending at End	Opinion Filed	Motion to Dismiss Granted	Dismissed by Court Order	Withdrawn or Discontinued	Other
TOTAL CASES	718	4,290	5,008	4,342	666	561	35	168	95	3,483
PRIMARY CASES	614	959	1,573	963	610	561	35	168	95	104
Appeals	598	852	1,450	858	592	555	35	166	95	7
Civil	249	357	606	366	240	189	5	122	46	4
Criminal	251	342	593	332	261	254	15	32	28	3
Family Court	83	110	193	130	63	89	15	9	17	
Other Appeals	15	43	58	30	28	23		3	4	
Original Proceedings	16	107	123	105	18	6		2		97
SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEEDINGS	104	3,331	3,435	3,379	56					3,379
Motions	90	3,167	3,257	3,204	53					3,204
Motions for Reconsideration	9	86	95	93	2					93
Applications for Certiorari	5	78	83	82	1					82

* Revised

The caseload activity of the Courts of Appeal, comprised of the Supreme Court and the Intermediate Court of Appeals, reflects the combined workload of the two courts. Excluded from the number of filings and terminations in the Courts of Appeal are the cases assigned by the Supreme Court to the Intermediate Court of Appeals, and the cases transferred from the Intermediate Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court.

Primary Cases are original cases filed in the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court. Appeals and original proceedings are classified as primary cases.

Supplemental Proceedings arise out of primary cases. During the fiscal year, of the 3,331 supplemental proceedings filed, 3,146 were filed in the Supreme Court, and 185 were filed in the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

TABLE 1A

Supreme Court Caseload Activity, FY 1998–99

CASELOAD ACTIVITY						TYPE OF TERMINATION					
	Pending at Start	Filed	Total Caseload	Terminated	Pending at End	Opinion Filed	Motion to Dismiss Granted	Dismissed by Court Order	Withdrawn or Discontinued	Transferred	Other
TOTAL CASES	575	4,101	4,676	4,147	529	363	35	168	93	225	3,263
PRIMARY CASES	522	955	1,477	988	489	363	35	168	93	225	104
Appeals	506	848	1,354	883	471	357	35	166	93	225	7
Civil	212	359	571	370	201	137	5	122	45	57	4
Criminal	219	340	559	353	206	149	15	32	28	126	3
Family Court	61	106	167	124	43	50	15	9	16	34	
Other Appeals	14	43	57	36	21	21		3	4	8	
Original Proceedings	16	107	123	105	18	6		2			97
SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEEDINGS	53	3,146	3,199	3,159	40						3,159
Motions	42	2,996	3,038	3,000	38						3,000
Motions for Reconsideration	6	72	78	77	1						77
Applications for Certiorari	5	78	83	82	1						82

Of the 4,101 filings during the fiscal year, 31 cases previously decided by the Intermediate Court of Appeals were redocketed in the Supreme Court for review. Included among the 4,147 cases terminated were 225 cases assigned to the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

TABLE 1B

Intermediate Court of Appeals Caseload Activity, FY 1998–99

CASELOAD ACTIVITY						TYPE OF TERMINATION					
	Pending at Start	Filed	Total Caseload	Terminated	Pending at End	Opinion Filed	Motion to Dismiss Granted	Dismissed by Court Order	Withdrawn or Discontinued	Transferred	Other
TOTAL CASES	143	417	560	423	137	198			2	3	220
PRIMARY CASES	92	232	324	203	121	198			2	3	
Appeals	92	232	324	203	121	198			2	3	
Civil	37	57	94	55	39	52			1	2	
Criminal	32	128	160	105	55	105					
Family Court	22	38	60	40	20	39			1		
Other Appeals	1	9	10	3	7	2				1	
Original Proceedings											
SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEEDINGS	51	185	236	220	16						220
Motions	48	171	219	204	15						204
Motions for Reconsideration	3	14	17	16	1						16

* Revised

The appeals filed in the Intermediate Court of Appeals were primarily cases assigned to it by the Supreme Court. In addition, 185 supplemental proceedings, of which 14 were motions for reconsideration, were filed directly in the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

TABLE 2

Courts of Appeal Changes, FY 1996–97 to FY 1998–99 A Comparative Summary of Primary and Supplemental Proceedings

	FY 1997-98		FY 1998-99		CHANGE IN 1998-99		CHANGE FROM 1993-94	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL FILINGS								
Both Courts	4,362	100.0	4,290	100.0	- 72	- 1.7	+ 809	+ 23.2
Primary	861	19.7	959	22.4	+ 98	+ 11.4	+ 54	+ 6.0
Supplemental	3,501	80.3	3,331	77.6	- 170	- 4.9	+ 755	+ 29.3
Supreme Court								
Primary	866	20.8	955	23.3	+ 89	+ 10.3	+ 51	+ 5.6
Supplemental	3,299	79.2	3,146	76.7	- 153	- 4.6	+ 680	+ 27.6
Intermediate Court of Appeals								
Primary	154	43.3	232	55.6	+ 78	+ 50.6	- 63	- 21.4
Supplemental	202	56.7	185	44.4	- 17	- 8.4	+ 75	+ 68.2
TOTAL BACKLOGS								
Both Courts	700	100.0	666	100.0	- 34	- 4.9	- 650	- 49.4
Primary	614	87.7	610	91.6	- 4	- 0.7	- 674	- 52.5
Supplemental	86	12.3	56	8.4	- 30	- 34.9	+ 24	+ 75.0
Supreme Court								
Primary	522	90.8	489	92.4	- 33	- 6.3	- 310	- 38.8
Supplemental	53	9.2	40	7.6	- 13	- 24.5	+ 20	+ 100.0
Intermediate Court of Appeals								
Primary	92	73.6	121	88.3	+ 29	+ 31.5	- 364	- 75.1
Supplemental	33	26.4	16	11.7	- 17	- 51.5	+ 4	+ 33.3
PUBLISHED OPINIONS, MEMORANDUM OPINIONS, AND SUMMARY DISPOSITION ORDERS								
	818		578		- 240	- 29.3	+ 292	+ 102.1
Deciding Cases								
	789		561		- 228	- 28.9	+ 283	+ 101.8
Appeals								
Reversals (including remands)	783	100.0	555	100.0	- 228	- 29.1	+ 286	+ 106.3
Affirmances (including reversed in part & modified & affirmed)	183	23.4	149	26.8	- 34	- 18.6	+ 93	+ 166.1
Other Dispositions	573	73.2	399	71.9	- 174	- 30.4	+ 197	+ 97.5
Additional	27	3.4	7	1.3	- 20	- 74.1	- 4	- 36.4
	29		17		- 12	- 41.4	+ 9	+ 112.5
SUPREME COURT								
	506		370		- 136	- 26.9	+ 198	+ 115.1
Deciding Cases								
	480		363		- 117	- 24.4	+ 196	+ 117.4
Appeals								
Reversals (including remands)	476	100.0	357	100.0	- 119	- 25.0	+ 199	+ 125.9
Affirmances (including reversed in part & modified & affirmed)	92	19.3	89	24.9	- 3	- 3.3	+ 63	+ 242.3
Other Dispositions	363	76.3	264	74.0	- 99	- 27.3	+ 139	+ 111.2
Additional	21	4.4	4	1.1	- 17	- 81.0	- 3	- 42.9
	26		7		- 19	- 73.1	+ 2	+ 40.0
INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS								
	312		208		- 104	- 33.3	+ 94	+ 82.5
Deciding Cases								
	309		198		- 111	- 35.9	+ 87	+ 78.4
Appeals								
Reversals (including remands)	307	100.0	198	100.0	- 109	- 35.5	+ 87	+ 78.4
Affirmances (including reversed in part & modified & affirmed)	91	29.6	60	30.3	- 31	- 34.1	+ 30	+ 100.0
Other Dispositions	210	68.4	135	68.2	- 75	- 35.7	+ 58	+ 75.3
Additional	6	2.0	3	1.5	- 3	- 50.0	- 1	- 25.0
	3		10		+ 7	+ 233.3	+ 7	+ 233.3